

Agency: Department of Public Safety**Project Title:**

National Sexual Violence Resource Center Annual Meeting - Remote Site Visit

State Funding Requested: \$ 25,000
One-Time Need**House District:** Anchorage Areawide (17-32)**Brief Project Description:**

Funds to bring NSVRC people to visit a remote location in Alaska during their annual meeting.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project:** \$75,000

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Other	\$50,000	FY09				
Total	\$50,000					

Explanation of Other Funds:

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center is planning to spend \$50,000 to bring their group to Alaska in Summer '09.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center is planning to hold their annual meeting in Alaska in Summer '09. They will bring 20-25 individuals who are NSVRC Advisory Council members, NSVRC staff, and representatives from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta. Part of their mission is to gain further knowledge and understanding of the challenges states like Alaska face in helping rural areas combat sexual violence. In order to help them better understand the significant logistical challenges we face \$25,000 in capital funds are requested to travel to a remote area of Alaska, tour our victim service provider in the area. This trip would include one night's stay and one meal.

Project Timeline:

Summer 2009

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

n/a

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Representative Anna Fairclough
State Capitol, Room 411
Juneau, AK 99801

March 4, 2008

Dear Representative Fairclough,

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) is grateful for the time and expertise you bring to our National Advisory Council. We have been communicating with representatives from your office to plan for our annual NSVRC Advisory Council meeting to be conducted in Alaska in the summer of 2009. Our annual meetings combine a traditional business meeting with unique opportunities for national leaders in the field of sexual violence prevention, such as yourself, from throughout the country to personally visit and learn first-hand about various communities. We are particularly interested in deepening our understanding of underserved communities and learning how we can better serve their unique needs. In that spirit, we are hoping to be able to explore some areas of rural Alaska, where we know there are substantial logistical challenges.

The NSVRC plans to bring 20-25 people to Juneau or Anchorage for our summer 2009 meeting. Participants will include national NSVRC Advisory Council members, NSVRC staff, and representatives from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta. We have budgeted resources to provide for their airfare, lodging and meals to attend the several-day meeting. We have been speaking with representatives from your office about the possibility for us to have an opportunity to visit some more remote areas of rural Alaska to learn about their particular experiences and resource needs. We are interested in exploring our options in having our group make one or more meaningful site visits for the mutual benefit of our Advisory Council and the local communities or villages. The better our staff, Advisory Council members, and our CDC funders understand the issues, the better we can tailor our services to assist in preventing sexual violence wherever it occurs. I am grateful for any type of assistance or information you can provide to assist with this opportunity.

The NSVRC is committed to collaboration, prevention and resources. We look forward to collaborating with your state government, department of health, state sexual assault coalition and local service providers to ensure that Alaska has the best resources available in the field of sexual violence prevention. Thank you for your leadership in this regard.

In Partnership,

Karen L. Baker, LMSW
NSVRC Director